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Educational Media Foundation 5700 West Oaks Blvd. Rocklin, CA 95765

> Re: KWLU (FM), Chester, CA

> > **Educational Media Foundation**

Facility Identification Number: 54981 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BSTA-20150720ABE

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to the request filed July 20, 2015, on behalf of Educational Media Foundation ("EMF"). EMF explains that it recently discovered that KWLU's transmitter site coordinates may be in error. EMF has retained a licensed surveyor to verify the correct station coordinates and will file a construction permit application to make any needed corrections. In the meantime, EMF requests an STA to operate at the coorected coordinates, at a reduced ERP.

The request for STA IS GRANTED. Station KWLU may continue to operate with the following parameters:

Geographic coordinates: 40° 13′ 57.4″ N, 121° 01′ 4.2″ W (NAD 1927)

Channel 255C2 (98.9 MHz)

Effective radiated power: 0.970 kW

Antenna height:

above ground: 41 meters above mean sea level: 2274 meters above average terrain: 754 meters

EMF must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on January 18, 2016.

STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,

Dale Bickel Senior Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Mary N. O'Connor (via e-mail only)